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# COVID-19 Journal by: Kristy Finley

March 30, 2020,

Today was the first time we did our online classes because of the “deadly” virus that is going around our nation. In all honesty I hate it! They might as well as just took our grades that we had because I might as well drop out on how this is going from today. If you look at the statistics of the virus it is really nothing compared to the flu or other viruses or diseases that have come upon us, the only reason it is getting so much attention is because of the media it is all the medias fault for this nonsense. I have never understood why people always listen to the media and think that everything they say is 100% true, I think some people blow things just out of proportion just to get rouse out of someone because it is funny. In this case or at least to me it is not funny they have effected so many lives by exaggerating this like it is the rapture, and I am sad to say when the rapture does come and you see how these people act with just a virus weaker than the flu you can see how these people need to be praying and not trying to kill people over toilet paper. This world is going to crap just because of a virus and the media doesn’t even think or care what they are doing to students, families, friends, and many more. I have been in my house with my parents for about a long time now I have stopped counting the days and I am about to just start to loose it I cannot take being with my parents who are obsessed with this virus and will barley let me step out the door or let me do my school work because the virus updates are more important.

KF

April 01,2020,

Today was just a normal day under quarantine for me. The whole virus is still spreading it is now infecting doctors. I haven’t stepped outside my house to go anywhere in the past 3 days now, the headaches from being inside for so long are the worst I have started to figure that out. For school I have had so much time on my hands I have basically done all the work for my now online classes. I am starting to catch up on all the old movies and tv shows and even started making tick tocks witch I never thought I would do. I have had a lot of time to think and I even started to redecorate my bathroom but I have come to a problem where I am needing paint and supplies that I would have to go buy but because of this virus it will just have to wait. But on the side note this is a thing for loosing weight since I have been home, I have lost around 3 pounds because all I do is sit and read or make/watch tick tock. I hope this comes to

an end soon I am ready to go places with my friends at home and go to Rock the South in June. All we can do is pray this ends soon and trust in God at this point.

~KF

April 03,2020,

Today was just a normal day stuck in the house just as boring as it can possibly be. I finally got to see the sun today though. I am starting to get migraines from being trapped in the house all the time I'm ready for this to be over with but its not getting any better the governor is issuing a statewide home quarantine tomorrow at 5p.m. because people are out and taking advantage of this weather that we hardly ever get here in Alabama. I have been having to lie to my parents who I am hanging out with to just be able to hang out with my boyfriend and it honestly hurts to lie to them but they won't let me see him. Our one-year anniversary is coming up and I think that is the hardest part because of this virus we cant even see each other on our one year anniversary. I understand my parents are doing this for the best especially because my mom could have cancer but its hard because I am trying to live my life and enjoy it but because of this I have to pause "the greatest part of my life". This feels like a never-ending thing that is happening how are people suppose to live in the house all day? How is this even suppose to be living? We only have a short life and honestly I trust God if he wants we to obtain this virus he will let me get it but he can stop me from getting this and I believe this and I am surrounded by these people who pray to God every day but it seems they have a lack of trust in him and personally if it wasn't for my parents I would go and do things because I trust god and if he wants me to get this virus and die then I will but if he doesn't he will protect me.

~KF

April 05,2020

I think I am going to go crazy; I hope this virus would just go away areay im tired of being inside of this Hell hole! I'm tired of everyone flipping out because of this virus, all I want is to drive to just feel the sun on my fingertips and my face. They say you are supposed to have at least 15 minutes of sunshine every day, well for some people they haven't seen the sun in probably over a week. And the bad thing is that my mom could possibly have cancer and I am doing everything I can to protect her but all I get is bitching and get to stay in quarantine because I have to protect her. I try to be obeying to her but I hope God understands why I hate her why I try to love her and obey her but she has to tell me I do nothing right and then tell everyone she talks to, this is pure Hell! In a the point to where I don't care I get this virus I want out of here I

want to go back to school where I could go and see my boyfriend and friends whenever and go fishing when I wanted to and do my homework without the yelling and screaming and the fighting of my parents. I am going insane this is pure Hell and I need to get out of her, or I am likely going to murder someone, then Ill sure be deemed to hell. The governor, Key Ivy told us we only can go out of our house for necessary purposes. I honestly think checking on my boyfriend is a necessary purpose and getting away from my mother is a nessiasary purpose because if I don't I will never complete my school work and fail my classes because apparently I cant do my school work because its not important and heling her clean the shower is mot important.

~KF

April 07,2020,

Today is really just a normal day stuck inside of the house looking for anything to do, trying to drown myself in school work so as soon as this virus gets over I can be free and go and enjoy the weather w have been having since we have been stuck in the house because of the fear of the virus. My reconstruction of my bathroom has come to a stop because I have run out of things to do without having to leave my house and go to the store to get some supplies I need. So, it is all bare and ready to paint wile I cannot go and get the paint for it. I figured out how to make masks to stop the virus like the masks are really going to help that much when people go and touch everything they see. I am struggling on not trying to eat so much food while I am in the house, but my mind sees cookies and things and I just want to eat it. But in reality, that's the whole struggle of the nation. One thing I am glad we have though is canned foods, living in a somewhat rule area learning how to can foods from the garden is a real gift when it comes to times like these because you will not have to worry about stalking up on so much food because we already have some if we need it and it will last a while. I hope to continue on this tradition to my children to teach them the way my family has so if something happens like this, they won't have to be worried about not having enough food. At this point in time I am just hoping and praying this gets over fast, some people are saying it may last into next year, but it honestly depends on if people stay inside or not. Its all Gods plan and he will help us out of this when he thinks we have had enough of this virus and it could last into next year but who knows the only one who knows has got it under control and maybe he is doing this for a reason to get more people to look up to him I'm not sure but people do because the faster they do the faster we could get out of this pandemic.

~KF

April 09,2020

As the school year begin to go to an end it is getting extremely busy with everything needing to get everything done and its all online which makes it twice s hard and no one is giving any slack. And being at home it also makes it twice as hard as well because at home I am having to mow the grass and cook supper and clean the house and basically be the maid and I do not have time to do all my school work and keep my grades up. But it's part of life and the school is almost over and I'm going to have to just keep pushing through this so is everyone else. The virus keeps increasing they are saying it possibly could be until September and that is scary because my parents will not let me out of the house until this virus is settled down. And its honestly killing me I am dying to just get out and go fishing and to see my friends and my boyfriend because it has been so long and I'm suppose to be living my life and I cant live my life with this virus killing people and my mom being sick it is especially important for us to stay but I'm the only child all I do it sit her and do my school work and clean and cook and be the maid that I'm supposed to be. This is making me into a good parent in the future but right now I just want to live my life not get prepared for motherhood. I am just really for this to be over but there is nothing I can do but stay quarantine to not help spread this virus and it is killing me.

~KF

April 11,2020

Today in captivity, well that is what it feels like now. Its really the same thing happening every day and without technology I doubt I would be able to make it through this. Technology is what Is getting me through the day now. If you sit and think and wonder why people in the olden days got so sick easily, I think it is because they did not have technology and it gets boring being in the house like this for around a month now and I honestly think that's why sickness was so bad because people had to make a living and couldn't work online like we do now. Technology has both hurt and helped this country in my opinion right now its hurting me because school online is not good. I am dying to go fishing and hiking but I can't. I try to work out in the house, but it isn't the same as a gym where I can run even though I hate it, it makes me somewhat skinny. I have been thinking a lot lately and I think the time I would love to go back to is in the 19<sup>th</sup> century where the girls had to were corsets and big dresses and they had balls and you worked for everything you had. I feel like that would be so much fun because back then yes the ladies were kind of downgraded but the men treated a lady like it was just an honor taking to them and that would be nice for once I think. During this time I have done a lot of catcing up on reading and it has really helped me through these times and made my heart

feel full for some reason but I hope a lot of other people re doing this as well because its really good for you and makes you think even if you think you understand everything it says it still makes you think.

~KF

April 13,2020

Today was an okay day, I had a facetime interview for the for Huntsville Hospital and it didn't go good at all, I cant seem to find a job and I need one or I will be doing a whole lot of nothing this summer. This is all because of the COVID-19 virus as well because they are not hiring people because of the virus. So, yay for me! On the other hand, today is me and my boyfriends one year anniversary and of course because of this COVID-19 virus I cannot see him on out one year. As you can tell because of just the event that happened today why I am over this virus and just want it to leave at least America alone. But on the good side of this I made a 98% on my Anatomy exam yesterday and if I did not have the internet and my notes, I would not have made that grade. So that is one good thing that the COVID-19 has helped me obtain. Another good thing is being able to have more time to work out and eat somewhat healthier because I am eating from home and not out every day so it is an easier tasks to try to eat healthier. Even though everyone is inside the house so you want to eat more food because you are just simply bored, but you have a choice to eat healthier or not. I just honestly cant wait until this at least quarantine is over with because I want to go and adventure and get tout of the house it is so devastating.

~KF

April 14,2020

Today was just a normal day in paradise. I have so much work for school to do it is not even funny, I have so many projects and assignments due all because of school coming to an end next week. I'm really a little nervous because of my grades so are not put in and I'm unsure if they will ever be put In and I really need them to be put in to raise my grade. I am signing up or things for next semester because I have not got anything to do. I am right now debating on joining the Honors program or not because I am honestly kind of scared but at the same time there are some great benefits if I do join but it would mean I would have to put more work into school and I am willing to do that but if the classes are to hard what am I going to do. Especially in nursing school what am I going to do then? I do not want to overwhelm myself in nursing school so I'm just kind of waiting it out and seeing what God puts me in because right now I just got to trust him to help me make this decision. I am watching romantic movies at this point and this is really not helping my earn

to see my boyfriend, its been around four weeks I think now I have honestly stopped counting because does it really matter at this point? I really just need some attention and omg the need for him is so bad and I'm trying to stay true to God but this is making it so hard it's so hard why is it so hard? This is my life that supposed I'm to be living and making mistakes and doing anything and everything but this damn virus is fucking it all up!

~KF

April 16,2020

Today was not a bad day I am almost done with school and it feels great I have worked so hard and seeing close end feels pretty good. We got less than a week left to push through this mess and it is looking pretty possible to have an A in all my classes if some of the teachers would put all the grades in the grade book I should have all A's. We also got more good news that the beaches will open back up on May 1<sup>st</sup>. We also got good news on possibly opening somethings back up on May 1<sup>st</sup>, and people are predicting to have the peek of the virus during this month before April 30<sup>th</sup> so the possibility of all this ending sees like a dream to me but it feels so good that is could be real and I can get to see my boyfriend and do things and go out again. But I cannot see that this quarantined has not changed everyone ad how we act around people and how people act at home. Its really kind of all feels good to know that there might be an end to this virus. And honestly, I am so ready to get out of this house being together with the same people every day it honestly starts to become annoying. I can't stand being in this house sometimes with my family because its like I'm not an adult and my parents don't think I'm an adult till I'm 21 because apparently that's what the law say but I know its not true. I'm really needing the to release quarantine sometime soon I hope they do because I dint know how much longer I can take some of this without going off on my mom because it feels like I never do nothing right, hell to her I cant even make cookies right because I tried to make scratch cookies and all I get is crap for it and I always mess stuff up and I'm honestly tired of it I am I can deal with this mess anymore. I cant even study because I have to get bitched at, and I'm trying to be faithful and stay calm and respect my mom but lord she makes it o hard and if I had enough money I would move out but I dint have any money hell, I don't even have a job because of my parents they made me quit my job. I'm ready to go back to school and get out of this place because I don't know how much more of this quarantine I can take.

~KF

April 18, 2020,

Today it's been a crazy day, I have been determined to get done with my bathroom remodel but I also need to study for my test for anatomy because it my lab final and honestly I don't know anything that google doesn't know because how can I learn it online? I need to be dissecting animals and looking at sheep hearts and I kind of cannot do that on the computer. I think I need a break from school today so I decided to work on my bathroom remodel because why not but I had to go and get paint for the first time by myself and I think I got the wrong paint because its turning out purple and I wanted a Light grey paint so I guess we will see when it dries and hope that it turns out grey because I really don't want to go back to the store to get them to fix it but I can't have a purple bathroom I mean that would look really weird wouldn't it? I kind of feel bad about not studying but I needed to take a break I have done all my work and done it on time and do what I'm supposed to do I think I needed to take a break from studying for once and take a break and paint purple on my suppose to be grey walls. I have a final for my Anatomy class and I'm honestly going to fail because I don't know it and none of my friends now it either. I am going to try to study but I sadly do not know what to study. I have been binge watching movies trying to get through this virus stuff as soon as possible and I have been in deep thought lately about everything and I have realized a lot about my relationship and what a relationship takes and just other things and I have discovered that I get Amazon prime for free for 60 days because I am a student and that's great because free is the best especially since I have not job because of this virus. And I have only bought one thing off of it, but I plan on buying a lot more when I figure out what color I want my sinks and shower heads to be in the bathroom.

~KF

April 20,2020,

Today has been a great day the weather is beautiful and I have completed a lot of work for my classes and even though we are stuck inside that just means I can start painting on my bathroom so I did. I decided to paint the walls grey so it would have a neutral tone to it and I might just go full grey with the wooden cabinets and just stain the cabinets lighter and boom their it will be. I hope it turns out good I really do not have much to work to do because I'm trying to make it look good, but I only got certain things I can worth with. I am really working hard I have realized that painting a room is a lot harder than it looks. It has been great I wish I was let out to go and see my boyfriend and go fishing because it's really getting and not seeing him for about a month now, but we are making it work the fights are more common now because of the distance but that was expected. Now enough about relationship life, let me tell



you about other things like ever since the quarantine has been going on the sky and the outside just has just been more prettier and the sky has been so much clearer, I think its because more people are staying home and it less pollution the environment and I am really digging it because it is gorgeous or it could be other reasons like God telling us to enjoy this time with our families and study him. Who knows the real answer but either way it is great! I'm really wanting to go and do some yoga for some reason but everyone would look at me and call me stupid and I'm not that great at yoga so I don't think that would help my case any. The quarantine is about over they say that the best way to get rid of this virus is to get out in the sun during the at because the virus hate the UV light, so I honestly don't have it because I try to go out as much as I can and will be outside more because school wont be keeping me inside and im almost done with school and in so happy and excited because I hate online classes.

~KF

April 22,2020,

Today was better than most I am so ready for quarantine to end they are apparently looking more at the numbers of the virus than the date that everyone will be realized from quarantine. I have been thinking way to much lately about everything and getting in my head a lot and I really need a job and I am broke like broke broke and how and I going to pay taxes and save up but I cant do that if I don't have a job and lucky me I have to wait because the job that I want to obtain is at the Hospital and I cant obtain them for the obvious virus that is going around. I'm so ready for these classes to end but at the same time I do not because then I will have nothing to do and Ill be forced to be the house maid more and more while my parents are home watching my every move. Technology has been my best friend since we have been in quarantine, I could live without it but honestly during this pandemic I might go crazy if I didn't have The Big Bang theory to binge watch or Vampire Diaries. Final exams are coming up and I am trying to keep all my A's but my Anatomy professor will not put in my midterm and correct my Anatomy Final because we had to take it on the computer and of course the computer and that is hard to grade when you spell everything wrong by one letter and I'm trying to be patient but its getting down to the end and I'm really getting anxious. I take my third final exam tomorrow and I'm a little scared because this is a big exam worth 15% of my grade and I have a 91 in this class and it could drop my down to a B if I don't write this correctly and very fluently. Have I mentioned that I'm ready to get out of quarantine? It is killing me that I cant get out of the house and when I leave I have to be cautious and wear a mask and wash my hands and stay away from people and all I want to do is go to Walmart or even go fishing, or even hiking but no I can't because I'm the only child so hiking is a

no go and the other things my parents won't let me do so if anyone could help me I'm dying.

~ KF

April 24,2020,

Today all things are winding down and the grades are coming in from all the professors and they are turning in pretty good because it looks like I'm and going to have all A's and I am hoping that it will be all A's by the end of the semester. And if not I am going to be mad because as it going onto online classes I knew my grades were going to probably drop because it is online and a lot of my classes as being a nursing major they are hard to do online. But anyways its has been a good day so far, no none has really bothered me I am going to finish my work that I must get done by the end of the day today. And then I will only have one more exam to take then I will be done with this semester in college, yayyyy! The days are colliding together and I cant keep track of them and its starting to get a little annoying because writing this journal because I try to write every other day but since the days are colliding its being really hard to remember what day I am suppose to write. I am so ready to be done with this online school its not necessarily hard, but it is time consuming and just is really dragged out and it needs to hurry up and get over with. I'm just ready to start putting some money away and getting some experience working in the health care field but because of this virus it's a little difficult to find anywhere to work and the majority of the jobs I have applied for have sent me emails saying that the application process will resume after the pandemic is over and honestly who knows when it will be over this is making go madly insane and its really pissing me off because it's just ruining everything and my birthday is coming up and being the only child during a pandemic and having a birthday isn't the funniest part of it. So that is my rant for today now I guess it's time for me to go and sit around and do nothing and wait till this pandemic is over because I'm tired of it.

~KF

April 26,2020,

Today It has been very stressful these past few days looking at grades and my last final exam coming up tomorrow. And this final is worth a lot of my grade I think around 200 point and its math and we are online and its very stressful. I also am struggling with contacting my Anatomy professor because he doesn't seem to check his email and he put a zero in for a grade that I made an 83 on in my lab calss and all my other friends are having the same problem as well and that grade chages my whole grade from almost a C to an A and I don't have to take the Final but he refuses to see our emails. This iswhy I hate online

classes I hope this world never has just online classes because it sucks and if we do its going to be hell for everyone but they don't seem to like to listen to the students because its technology and its so much better than having to go to class well it is NOT never let this world go to all online classes please it is and never will be good!!! I know no one will listen to my opinion but its true and you just watch it is really true and when ya'll in the future see this hopefully maybe ya'll will put a stop to it but I will be long gone and heck we all might be long gone who knows. Im just trying to push these last few days because I'm so done with this whole virus and school because I am done all school right now is giving me something to do while I sit at home and do nothing. And I'm so done with his quarantine I want to go and see people and communicate and being an only child you can't do anything or talk to anyone and being at college where you do whatever the hell you want to coming home having to run everything by your parents again freaking sucks and being the only child your even watch more closely and having strict parents it makes you want to kill yourself honestly because its hell it really Is hell. I'm trying to just get a job to get away from them and that honestly sad but I have to I can't stand them sometimes. And I never get to do anything ever but I'm still searching for a job and saving up so maybe juts maybe I can have enough to move out pray for me!

April 28, 2020

Today we will get to fid out if we get to stay in Quarantine longer after April 30. I really hope we don't but either way they will make us wear masks everywhere. The health professionals are looking at the statistics and thinking that when the fall and winter hits their will be a spike in the virus again because of the UV lights from the sun and a lot of people going hiking and going outside it is killing the virus because the virus doesn't like the UV light. In this case is a good and bad thing because its good that the sun is killing the virus but it's a bad thing because it makes the fear when the fall and winter seasons hit its going to get bad and its going to get worse than it was this time. I am so ready to get out of this house but I really don't need to get this virus and with the population in America being so large especially in places like New York it got bad the first time its hard to think about a second time. Im glad we could possibly get to go out though I'm ready to get to doing something than other than sitting in the house. But good for my fellow students and my self is that school is over with and we can get to be doing something other than school and stressing about that, I am really trying to get a job so I can start saving up my money to buy a house or build a house I am unsure of it yet. I'm ready to travel the world and start living my life not confined to a place and be able to do my own thing and not have to do what my parents tell me to because I have figured out every time I do what my parents say it always ends up

usually not good and that is the weirdest thing but it does and I don't know how. This will be my last journal entry about this COVID-19 and it kind of hits right at a good point because all the numbers are pretty much down and the health care providers have got it extremely under control and there is really nothing much to say anymore but if we are going to be let out of quarantine or not and its looking and sounding like we will be let out of quarantine but its all up to Governor Ivy and what she thinks but she has heard all the same stuff we have plus everyone else is letting the quarantine restriction up even Georgia and they were way worse than Alabama so I really think we will be good. Im really excited if we do get to be out of quarantine I will have a way better chance of finding a job and I will get to see my boyfriend that I haven't seen fom over a month and I know its just a month but as having a long distance relationship its hard and we were stick to seeing each other once a week and when you do that for once a year its really hard to change that but im ready to see him our relationship works better when we can actually see each other because on the phones sarcasm does or doesn't get understood at the wrong time and it creates a argument and all know how the rest goes but maybe when we get to see each other we will do something other than go fishing this time, I like to fish but we didn't have our one year so maybe he will get a hint that I have been dropping down since we have been in the quarantine> But he probably won't because guys never seem to get any hints.

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My name is Kristy Finley I am 18 years old and a current Jacksonville State undergraduate Nursing student. I have just completed my first year at Jacksonville State with a 4.0 GPA. I am from a small town south of Huntsville Al. called Owens crossroads AL. At home I am the only child to my parents, I try to be very involved at the JSU campus and never come home to see them because I just love being away from home to much. I currently have a boyfriend that I mentioned a couple times named Jared Hartbarger he lives in Hayden Al and is currently a mechanic at South Way Crain and Rigging. I love animals especially cats and smaller animals. As having to do the online classes it was a extreme challenge, because I am just better with face to face teaching. But we all made it through and that all we can do. But I can say I will never try and volunteer to take a online class. I honestly would never thought this virus would get so bad looking back I wasn't even worried and really still not worried because with school being online it was taking up the majority of my worries because there was no way I can get in touch with the professor without it being on technology, and that is really scary for me. I hope that my opinions and struggles helped someone out in the future, but I bet no on will even read these but its okay, they will be here just in case.